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Docket No. 217475US0PCT
 IN RE APPLICATION OF: Randolph HUGO et al.
 SERIAL NO: New U.S. PCT Application (Based on PCT/EP00/06749)
 FILED: HEREWITH
 FOR: REMOVAL OF MERCAPTANS FROM FLUID STREAMS

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: PCT Transmittal Letter/Notice of Priority/PCT/IB/304/Declaration
 English Translation of Specification/PCT/IB/308/Information Disclosure
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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete the title and replace with the following title:

METHOD FOR REMOVING MERCAPTANS FROM FLUID FLUXES

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

3. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the scrubbing liquor contains not more than 5% by weight of a physical solvent for mercaptans.

4. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tertiary alkanolamine used is methyldiethanolamine.

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